at the rate of Rs. 2000 per one cent of land, to mitigate the hardship of farmers; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGENDER K. ALAGH): (a) (b) (f) & (g) The land for the Liquid Propulsion Systems Centre (LPSC) Project of the Department of Space (DOS) in Mahendragiri was acquired through the Government of Tamil Nadu. Only dry patta land was acquired giving adequate compensation as determined by the State Government. At the time of acquisition of the land, no commitment was made by this Department for giving employment to the local people on evictee status.

Since the LPSC facilities are located both in the Nellai Kattakbomman District and Kanyakumari District, the LPSC, from inception, has been notifying its vacancies for Groups C and D posts to the employment exchanges in both the Districts and has been requesting them to give preference to the local people while sponsoring candidates.

The LPSC has also advised the contractors who undertake sporadic construction activities and other miscellaneous works in LPSC, Mahendragiri, to engage only local people for carrying out such jobs.

(c) and (d) To meet the requirement of liquid hydrogen which is used as a fuel in the Cryogenic Stage of the GSLV, a 500 kg. per day capacity plant has been established in Mahendragiri. Even when the Integrated Liquid Hydrogen Plant (ILHP) was set up, all safety norms such as maximum safety distance required, suitable electrical fittings and adequate fire fighting systems etc., have been followed. Several expert reviews have been conducted on the safety aspects of the ILHP and these have been taken into account and statutory clearances from the Chief Controller of Explosives have been obtained.

(e) The Department decided to construct the quarters in Nagercoil taking into account the availability of infrastructural facilities like schools and colleges, hospitals, marketing and recreation facilities and better communication and public transport system at Nagercoil. In case the staff quarters were to be constructed at Mahendragiri, the employees, who are already living at Nagercoil would be put to considerable inconvenience as no facilities are available in and around Mahendragiri. However, quarters for Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) and other essential staff who have to work round the clock and are required for security duty, have been constructed in the project site at Mahendragiri. It has also been decided by the Department to acquire some land to take up construction of some quarters at Valliyoor which is nearer to Mahendragiri, to cater the requirement of the employees staying in and around Mahendragiri.

Waiving of Ceiling to Encourage Housing Activities by Uttar Pradesh Government

706. SHRI SOM PAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item appearing in the Hindustan Times, dated January 11, 1997, captioned "Uttar Pradesh Government simplifies norms for housing";

(b) whether the Government of Uttar Pradesh had, *inter-alia*, announced at a Seminar that to encourage housing activities, current ceiling of 12.5 acres would be waived, if land acquired was for non-agricultural use or colonisation;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof;

(d) whether the above decision would cover the cooperative housing societies also; if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) by when Government's order notifying the above decision is likely to be issued?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT & MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) Yes. Sir.

(b) Government of Uttar Pradesh has reported that final decision regarding Exemption to retain the land beyond 12.5 acres for the development of Housing activity udner Section 154-Sub Section (2) of U.P. Zamindari Abolition and Land Reform Act has not yet been taken.

(c) to (e) In view of (b) above question does not arise.

Improvement of Sewerage System in Delhi

707. SHRI O.P. KOHLI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Scheme for improvement of sewerage system in Delhi has been drawn up to make the system effective;

(b) if so, the details, thereof; and

(c) by when the older sewer lines would be replaced with the new ones?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT & MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Delhi Water Supply and Sewage Disposal Undertaking (DWS & SDU) have taken up construction of 15 sewerage treatment plants and 23 sewerage pumping stations for improving sewerage system in Delhi details are given in the enclosed statement. (*See* below).

(c) Augmentation and replacement of older sewer lines is an on going process, which is being carried out in phases, depending on availability of resources.

Statement

Details regarding construction of 15 sewerage treatment plants and 23 sewerage pumping stations for improving sewerage system in Delhi

SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANTS:

1. Yamuna Vihar 10 MGD
2. Kondly 10 MGD
3. Kondly 25 MGD
4. Okhla 16 MGD
5. Sen Nursing Home 2.2. MGD
6. Delhdi Gate Nalla 2.2. MGD
7. Ghitorni 5 MGD
8. Vasant Kunj 3 MGD
9. Najafgarh 5 MGD
10. Rithala 40 MGD
11. Narela 10 MGD
12. Coronation Pillar 10 MGD
13. Rohini 40 MGD
14. Nilothi 40 MGD
15. Papankala 20 MGD

SEWAGE PUMPING STATIONS:

1. pargati Vihar
2. Najafgarh
3. Rohini Sex. XIX
4. Nangloi Syed
5. Nangloi
6. Jahangirpuri
7. Adarsh Nagar
8. Sanjay Gandhi Transport Nagar Extension
9. Sarita Vihar
10. Tughlaqabad
11. Khanpur Devli
12. Ram Nagar
13. Ghonda-I
14. Ghonda-II
15. Brahampuri
16. Jafrabad
17. Uttam Nagar
18. Kalyanpuri
19. Geeta Colony
20. Mansarovar Park
21. Yamuna Vihar
22. Mehrauli
23. Rampura